

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 SAN JO 00345 231948Z

47

ACTION H-03

INFO OCT-01 ARA-06 ISO-00 SS-07 NSC-06 AID-01 /024 W

----- 131039

P 231930Z JAN 76

FM AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 2612

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE SAN JOSE 0345

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OREP (WOLFF, LESTER L.)

SUBJECT: CODEL WOLFF: FOREIGN MINISTER'S COMMENTS ON PRESS REPORTS

REF: SAN JOSE 0311,

1. DURING MY MEETING WITH FONMIN FACIO YESTERDAY, JANUARY 22, HE SAID HE HAD BEEN ASKED BY LOCAL PRESS FOR REACTIONS TO REPORTED STATEMENTS BY CONGRESSMAN WOLFF (REFTEL). HE SAID HE TOLD THE PRESS HE WAS SURPRISED BY THE REPORT, SINCE THE CONGRESSMAN HAD NOT DESCRIBED COSTA RICA HERE AS "ONE OF THE THREE PRINCIPAL TRANSIT POINTS" IN THE NARCOTICS TRADE AND NO JOINT GOVERNMENTAL WORKING GROUP HAD BEEN DISCUSSED ALTHOUGH GOCR HAD PROMISED FULL COOPERATION ON DRUGS. HE ADDED THAT THE GOCR HAD NO COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE ASSISTANCE RECEIVED FROM THE USG IN THE NARCOTICS AREA AND IN FACT WAS VERY PLEASED WITH IT.

2. SO FAR ONLY "LA REPUBLICA" HAS PICKED UP ANY OF FACIO'S COMMENTS, WITHOUT ANY REFERENCE TO CODEL. IT REPORTED THIS MORNING THAT FACIO "CLARIFIED THAT THE REPORTS THAT COSTA RICA IS THE CENTER OF THE DRUG TRAFFIC ARE NOT ACCURATE," AND THAT MEXICO HAS THAT DUBIOUS HONOR. THE REPORT SAYS FACIO EXPLAINED THAT THERE IS CONCERN TO PREVENT OPIUM TRAFFICKERS FROM MOVING THEIR POPPY OPERATIONS TO COSTA RICA.

TODMAN

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 SAN JO 00345 231948Z

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: n/a
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 23 JAN 1976
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: ElyME
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1976SANJO00345
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D760026-0969
From: SAN JOSE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1976/newtext/t19760127/aaaaaxrb.tel
Line Count: 60
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION H
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 76 SAN JOSE 311
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: ElyME
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 19 JUL 2004
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <19 JUL 2004 by coburnhl>; APPROVED <25 OCT 2004 by ElyME>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
04 MAY 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: CODEL WOLFF: FOREIGN MINISTER'S COMMENTS ON PRESS REPORTS
TAGS: OREP, (WOLFF, LESTER L)
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006